

# 13,500 Youngsters Stage Huge 'Peace Of Christ' Rally

FORT WORTH (BP) — The largest and most unusual "peace" demonstration Texans could recall was staged by 13,500 young people here just prior to Independence Day.

The youths, mostly teenagers, didn't burn any flags, break any windows or fight with police during the unique "Peace of Christ" rally. But their enthusiasm was obvious.

Onlookers, familiar with the two-fingered 'V' for peace sign during anti-Vietnam war rallies last May, were surprised at the young people's adaptation of it.

Accompanying the usual peace sign was an extended index finger on the other hand and the chant "one way... one way..."

C. Wade Freeman, director of evangelism for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, said the new symbol is "the Christian's way of showing the world that Christ offers the only real, lasting peace." The same symbol was alluded to by Billy Graham in his Honor America Day address in Washington.

"We hope that Christian youth the nation over will adopt this sign for expressing their belief in the peace of God," Freeman said. "Certainly they should have the same privilege of demonstration as the violent radical."

The Texas Baptist Evangelism Division which Freeman heads sponsored the peace parade as part of the 1970 Youth Evangelism Conference in

## Fort Worth.

Filling Fort Worth's Main Street for about a quarter mile from the Tarrant County Convention Center to the county courthouse, the youths followed large banner proclaiming "Peace of Christ."

Many of the smiling, neatly-dressed youngsters carried signs themselves with such phrases as "Turn on Jesus," "Get High on Jesus," and "Jesus is Real."

It might have been called a torchlight parade due to thousands of flashlights the youngsters turned on during the rally. They said their modern torches symbolized "the light of Christ which shines through people committed to Him."

Capt. Wood said some of his men who worked overtime directing traffic around the cordoned off Main Street told him they would be willing to do it again "to see something like that."

"If the world's on the road to hell, kids like that can put up some detour signs," the police captain said. Reactions of onlookers were usually, "It's a good thing," or "It's great," though negative reaction was expressed by some hippies in Fort

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## New Plans For Personal Evangelism To Be Offered

ATLANTA (HMB)—A task force on personal evangelism meeting in Atlanta on the need for a strategy and materials for personal evangelism called for a "new and revolutionary thrust in lay witnessing to evangelize this generation for Christ."

Growing out of the work of this task force is a new and exciting set of materials and a new strategy for lay witnessing.

The materials are being published by Broadman for the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board and the Church Training Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

The materials are being published under the title WIN (Witness Involved NOW). The materials are a creative departure for Southern Baptists.

The materials will be identified only by the author's name and publisher. Designed for individual use, they are not identified with any particular organization in the church.

It is hoped that these materials will be used by many denominations having no publishing house of their own.

## 2,311 Early Decisions

## Campaigns In Asia Make Impact

RICHMOND (BP) — More than 2,311 persons have made decisions for Christ in the Philippines, Thailand, Hong Kong, Vietnam and Taiwan prior to and during the opening days of the 1970 Asia Baptist Evangelistic Campaigns.

The campaigns have featured a number of evangelists and musicians from the United States and have been jointly conducted by Southern Baptist missionaries and Asian nationals.

S. M. Lockridge, black pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, San Diego, Calif., preached at rallies sponsored by Vietnamese Baptist churches.

Only limited advertising of the meetings was permitted because of the threat of rockets and grenades wherever an assembly is held in Saigon, but still large crowds turned out, according to Joseph B. Underwood, consultant in evangelism and church development from the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Thousands of Gospels of John had been distributed in Saigon, Underwood said. Even before the meetings began some people who received the Gospels mailed in the enclosed cards to ask for further information and register their decisions to accept Christ.

Saigon's Trinity Baptist Church, an English-language congregation which ministers mainly to U.S. military personnel, reported that 80 men made professions of faith.

Besides meetings in Baptist churches and established missions, several new preaching points were started around Saigon as Vietnamese Baptists, missionaries and visiting evan-

gelists went into new areas.

The Lively Ones, a musical group comprised of students from Baylor University, Waco, Tex., provided music for the Saigon rallies.

An unusual result in Thailand was the sponsorship by Thai Baptists of a Thai national to serve as a missionary to a town on the River Kwai. The mission project, which represents probably the first joint out-

reach by Thai Baptists, reportedly was motivated by spontaneous weekly prayer fellowships begun by Thai church members preceding the evangelistic campaign.

Ronald C. Hill, a Southern Baptist missionary, says, "An association for Thailand's 14 Baptist churches may come out of this experience of working together."

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"JUST TELL US MORE ABOUT THIS JESUS": This was the request of the man seated at left in this group of Vietnamese who heard the gospel for the first time recently when they gathered in a home in suburban Saigon. They had been invited to the meeting in connection with the 1970 Asia Baptist evangelistic campaigns which were held in 13 countries.

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## Jerusalem Bible Meet Is Called

PHILADELPHIA (BP) — A committee of preachers, professors and theologians, headed by W. A. Criswell of Dallas, Tex., and Harold J. Ockenga of Wenham, Mass., have called a conference on biblical prophecy in Jerusalem, June 15-18, 1971.

A statement released here by the two men said the world situation is appropriate to "call the world's first concocation of Christian thinkers at Jerusalem to re-study the Bible's prophecies and to proclaim their message for our time."

Criswell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas, and Ockenga, president of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Wenham, are co-chairmen of the committee to call the conference.

Carl F. H. Henry, professor of theology at Eastern Baptist Seminary, Philadelphia, and founding editor of Christianity Today, is chairman of the conference's program committee.

Contacted in Dallas, Criswell, immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Convention, said he favors the conference because, "World events are pointing toward fulfillment of some of the great prophecies in Holy Scripture, especially in connection with Israel and the Holy Land of Palestine."

Criswell said he agreed to serve as co-chairman "on an individual basis" and that there would be no official Southern Baptist connection.

He said, however, many Southern Baptists would be among some 3,000 persons expected to be invited to the conference.

Four stated purposes of the call committee were listed as:

1. Creation of a public forum for examination of the Biblical view of last things and better understanding of the prophetic portions of scripture.

2. Expression of "belief in the risen Christ's literal return to a society which unbelievably asks, 'Where is the promise of His coming?'"

3. Enlivening "Christian witness through a fresh awareness that our generation lives closer to the return of Christ than any preceding one and that we must soon give an account of our stewardship."

4. Focusing "the serious attention of men everywhere on the Bible's message for the whole human race in our critical times, including our youth in their apocalyptic preoccupation with the occult, the ecological and the hedonistic."

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## Mississippians Sing With Centurymen In Washington Program

Three Mississippi Baptist ministers of music sang with the Centurymen who performed on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., during the religious service on "Honor America Day" July 4. They also participated in the evening program at the Washington Monument with two numbers during the Bob Hope show. They joined with Fred Waring and others in The Battle Hymn

of the Republic in the grand finale. The Centurymen were organized by the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The three state men were Tanner Riley, First Church, Clinton; Charles Russell, Robinson Street, and Charles Muller, Woodland Hills, both of Jackson. — Baptist Joint Committee photo.

## White House Notes Baptist Views On School Aid Plans

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON (BP) — A White House spokesman has promised to convey Southern Baptist Convention views on public aid to private and parochial schools to the President's Commission on School Finance.

The word from the White House came from Edward L. Morgan, deputy assistant to the President, in response to a communication from John W. Baker, associate executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

The Southern Baptist Convention in Denver instructed the Baptist Joint Committee "to make every possible effort to communicate the opposition of Baptists to tax money for private church-related schools under guise whatsoever to every appropriate public official."

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of their goals the evasion of the integration decisions of the Supreme Court and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare."

Baker's communication to President Nixon further said, "Our belief that tax monies should not be used to aid any religious institutions, including those of Baptists, requires that we voice opposition to the policies enumerated above."

Morgan, responding "on behalf of the President," said that he would see that the Southern Baptist Convention views would be brought to the attention of Neil McElroy, chairman of the President's Commission on School Finance.

Morgan further said that the voucher system "is an experiment only." He explained that "the office of Economic Opportunity has determined

that this is one of many new ideas in education worth trying, but they are very much aware of the risks involved and the complexities inherent in this idea, and I'm confident that they will keep a careful eye on it."

The voucher plan was developed as a result of an OEO contract with the Center for the Study of Public Policy in Cambridge, Mass. The demonstration plan will cost from \$6 to \$8 million and will begin with projects in one urban and one rural community with the fall school of 1971.

The plan basically calls for tuition vouchers for parents to spend for their children's education in any school, whether public, private or parochial.

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## From Mountain Top To Valley of Need

### An Editorial Report

The New Testament tells the thrilling story of the transfiguration of Jesus on a mountain top, and of the valley experiences which followed. The mountain top was so glorious that the disciples wanted to stay there, "Let us make three tabernacles..." but Jesus made clear that the need was in the valley.

I have been on the mountain top, both literally and spiritually, but have moved into the valley for service.

There was a mountain top experience in Manila where the more than 40 preachers and song leaders from the United States and from Australia, who had come to participate in the Philippine Crusade, spent a day in an "upper room" with missionaries and national pastors and leaders, in preparation and orientation for the crusade. It was a great day of fellowship, of prayer, and of learning.

Then on Saturday we left Manila, by plane and by car, to move to fields of service scattered over hundreds of miles of the Islands. Dr. David Grant of Jackson, with whom I had been traveling, Dr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons and Leon Young, all of Meridian, flew far to the South (perhaps 700 miles to participate in revivals on the Island of Mindanao, the large island in the southern part of the nation. I rode in a car with other workers, some 160 miles to Baguio, the largest city in the northern part of the island of Luzon, the island upon which Manila is located. We are told that there are over 10,000 islands in the Philippines, with hundreds of them inhabited. The two largest are Luzon and Mindanao.

We drove through many miles of flat country, through rice paddies and cane fields, with village after village along the road, and some larger towns. The road we traveled was mostly like some of the secondary black top roads in Mississippi. However, there was one section north of Manila which was a four-lane toll road. We saw many people working in the rice paddies, and also the

## NBC-TV's "Southern

## Baptist Hour" Will

## Cover Tokyo BWA

NEW YORK — NBC News will use satellite transmission for a regularly scheduled religious program for the first time on Sunday, July 19, when the "Southern Baptist Hour" on the NBC Television Network (1:30-2 p.m. NYT) will be devoted to coverage of the 12th World Baptist Alliance Congress in Tokyo, Japan.

The program will be carried on Channel 3, Station WLBT-TV in Jackson at 12:30-1:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time, according to Hewitt Griffin, program director.

The 1970 conference, the first to be held in Asia, has the theme "Reconciliation Through Christ." NBC News will use color tape and film to report on the proceedings of the Congress and present a panel discussion with some of the participants in the Congress.

Doris Ann is executive producer and Martin Hoade is the producer-director for the Public Affairs Department of NBC News.

A panel discussion with some of the participants will augment film coverage of the proceedings of the convention.

The Baptist World Alliance is in session this week in Tokyo, July 12-18.

Several score Mississippians are in attendance as well as Baptists from all over the world.

The Baptist Record will carry a full report in a later issue.

## Cooperative Giving

## Is Down 1.8% For

## First Six Months

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first six months of this year, January through June, totaled \$1,945,242, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

This was a decrease of \$34,757 or 1.8% under the \$1,979,999 given during the same period in 1969.

The Cooperative Program budget for 1970 is \$4,250,000, as compared to the budget of \$4,200,000 for 1969.

Dr. Hudgins stated that "the decrease in this year's giving is due in part to the general economic condition and the continuing problem of inflation."

"It is our hope that the last six months of this year will witness a substantial increase in cooperative giving by the churches and that we may close the year without a deficit."

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for about two-thirds of the total mission contributions.



### Missionaries Wear Costumes At Lawn Party

RIDGECREST, N.C. — A group of Southern Baptist missionaries on furlough gathered for a photo recently at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly. The occasion was the international lawn party, which is a tradition during the Foreign Missions Conferences held every summer at Ridgecrest and at the

Baptist assembly in Glorieta, N.M. At the top of the stairs are Baker J. Cauthen (holding microphone), executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and Charles W. Bryan, the board's secretary for Middle America and the Caribbean, the area where these missionaries serve.



### Call To Brotherhood

NEW YORK — A coast-to-coast walking appeal for brotherhood ends in New York City. The Rev. Arthur Blessitt, left a former Mississippian, and Jesse Wise chat with strollers after completing their cross-country trek in which they held and wheeled a 105-pound cross. The minister, referring to his group as "Jesus People," said they are calling "this nation back to God and real brotherhood." —RNS

### Hospital Sunday In State Helps Fund Campaign

The fund drive for a new Mississippi Baptist Hospital, now at the three-quarter mark, is gaining strength as a result of "Hospital Sunday" in Baptist churches June 21, according to hospital administrator Paul J. Pryor.

Goal of the fund drive is \$2,000,000 (eight per cent of the \$25,000,000 estimated total cost), and gifts and pledges totalling \$1,500,882.00 have been reported thus far by R. Baxter Wilson, chairman of the fund drive.

A series of report meetings ended last week, and Wilson said prospect cards continue to be worked, with several large foundation and corporate gifts anticipated among the prospects not yet contacted.

Pryor said contacts are being made outside the Jackson area in an intensified effort to complete out-of-town contacts with friends of the hospital, and he said this phase of the fund drive "should be carried out within the next few weeks."

Pryor reported that the hospital's board of trustees authorized him to announce that the trustees "greatly appreciate efforts by Baptist churches throughout the state in emphasizing the fund drive in the recent Hospital Sunday."

He said the campaign organization's Development Fund "is beginning to receive checks and letters from various churches throughout the state" as a result of the June 21 emphasis authorized by the executive committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

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### BAPTIST HOUR SUBJECTS GIVEN

Dr. Kenneth Chafin, director of the Home Mission Board's Division of Evangelism, will discuss the foundations for joy in the five sermons he will preach on THE BAPTIST HOUR during August.

Dr. Chafin is the summer speaker on THE BAPTIST HOUR, replacing the program's regular preacher, Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

His topics for August will be: 2: "Happiness in Religion" — Philip 1:21-25; 9: "Resurrection" — 1 Cor. 15:3-4; Eph. 1:19-20; 16: "Learning How to Pray" — Matt. 6:5-7; 7:7-11; 23: "The Love of God" — 1 Cor. 13:4-8; Rom. 5:8; 30: "An Adequate Christ" — John 6:6.

### 13,500 Youngsters —

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Worth's night club section through which the peace parade passed.

Two long-haired young men scoffed at the demonstrators' declaration of Christ as the "one way."

"There's not just one way. How can they believe that? God is the universe." Nevertheless, they followed the parade to the courthouse where several young people talked to them about Christ and prayed for them.

The young people also fanned out over downtown Fort Worth and talked to people about Christ. A small crowd of teenagers stood outside a nightclub urging people to come out to watch the parade and respond to Christ.

In sessions at the convention center, the young people heard Astronaut William R. Pogue, a Southern Baptist deacon and member of the support crew of the forthcoming Apollo XIV flight; Cliff Barrows of the Billy Graham evangelistic team; 18-year-old Debbie Patton of Odessa, Tex., this year's Miss Teenage America; Myrtle Hall, Billy Graham soloist; and others.

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## Evangelist Haggai Returns After 3-Week Korean Tour

Dr. John Haggai, Atlanta-based evangelistic, has returned from three weeks of revival crusades in Korea which drew more than 270,000 persons and resulted in 19,850 professions of faith.

The head of Evangelism International said although the number of Christians in Korea is not large, they appear to be "the most committed Christians in the world."

"The lives and testimonies of Christians in Korea are so radiant that their influence is felt everywhere," Dr. Haggai said, "while in this country you can hardly tell who professes to be a Christian and who doesn't."

Dr. Haggai arrived in Korea May 25, and conducted his first week's crusade in Pusan, his second in Taegu and the third in Seoul.

He also conducted 46 university and college services during that time and had more than 87,000 persons in attendance.

His crusades drew such large crowds that the people could not come to the front when he issued an invitation.

Instead, they held up their hands and were given cards to fill out and then the local churches followed up on this information.

Already Dr. Haggai has heard from some of these churches. A Presbyterian Church in Taegu reported that as a result of the crusade about 800 persons had joined or were planning to join the congregation.

The Yung Nak, largest Presbyterian Church in the world, reported more than 2,000 new members as a result of the campaign in Seoul.

## Baptist Pastor In Jewish Area Takes Food "Kosher"

MIAMI BEACH (BP)—The only Southern Baptist pastor on predominantly Jewish Miami Beach has gone Kosher, but he still maintains the "orthodox" Baptist faith.

Lewis Maples, minister at Miami Beach's First Baptist Church, professes a hearty appetite for Jewish food.

In a way, he's been converted to Kosher cooking. "It's a pleasant change from the food I'm used to," he said.

His "conversion," however, is not a theological one.

He never tries to convert Jews "in the sense of an aggressive program," but neither does he hesitate to share his faith on the golf course or in the many delicatessens of the island city.

During his three years as pastor of the Baptist church in predominantly Jewish surroundings, there have been six Jews who have been converted to Christianity at First Baptist.

The majority of the decisions have stemmed from casual acquaintances with Maples in situations like golfing. As a former professional baseball player, Maples has a spirited interest in sports and plays golf often.

"Usually I get several Jewish partners in a foursome," he said. "Sometimes a partner will want to know about my religion, and we'll spend the entire game discussing Christianity."

Not only his sports background, but an experience long ago has helped Maples relate well with Jews. Thirty

years ago, he began a friendship with a Jewish shoe store owner in Kansas City. They exchanged ideas about their faith often.

That experience "helped me make friends quickly when I came here three years ago," Maples said.

Previously, he had been pastor of the 1,500-member Brookside Baptist Church in Tulsa, Okla.

Here, his congregation is small. "We drop to about 100 persons during the winter," Maples said. In the summer, most of his preaching is to out-of-towners. Sometimes, the visitors outnumber the members in worship services.

In an effort to maintain dialogue, friendship and rapport with the Jewish population of Miami Beach, Maples participates in a regular quarterly dialogue between Baptist preachers, Jewish rabbis and laymen of both faiths.

"It's national program initiated ten years ago," he explained. Most often, the group talks about social concerns rather than religious dogma. "I've learned a lot at them (the dialogue sessions)," Maples said.

Recently, he participated in a meeting of the National Conference of Christians and Jews of Miami Beach. Maples discussed "the minority experience."

Though he may be among the minority here, Maples doesn't let that bother him. Nor does it seem to hamper him in his relationships with Jews and the entire community.

## Second Texas Burlesque House Closes, Owners Now Christians

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (BP)—For the second time in less than three months, a San Antonio burlesque house has closed its doors following the conversion of the owners.

Tommy and Mitzi Thomas, owners of the Intimate Lounge on the city's north side, decided to close their establishment after a late-night conversation with a Southern Baptist pastor. Mitzi had been a featured dancer at the club.

Thomas said he planned to return to the business he had before becoming a night club operator four years ago—selling Bibles.

The closing of the Intimate Lounge follows the April 4 closing of The Green Gate Lounge, owned and operated by Guy and Evelyn Linton for more than 17 years.

The Lintons became Christians during a revival conducted by Southern Baptist Evangelist Bob Harrington of New Orleans, known popularly as "the chaplain of Bourbon Street."

Thomas, a close friend of the Lintons, felt he should close his own lounge after the Lintons publicly announced that The Green Gate was "closed forever."

But it was not until 12:30 a. m. on a Saturday morning nearly three months later that Thomas and his wife made a Christian commitment at the Linton's home after a long discussion with Jack Taylor, the Linton's pastor at Castle Hills Baptist Church here.

Thomas went down to the lounge and closed it at 2:00 a. m. Later on Sunday, he made a public decision at the Castle Hills Baptist Church during worship services.

Thomas had been introduced into show business by the Lintons and met his wife while she was dancing at the Green Gate Club.

"I knew I was doing wrong," Thomas said of his four years as a night club operator. "I was unhappy, and I knew that when I followed the Lord, I had to close the club."

He said he sold Bibles before going into the night club business, and tentatively plans to return to that field.

Meanwhile, persons seeking admission to the Intimate Lounge will find the entrance blocked by a sign that reads:

"Intimate Lounge Closed: Condemned by God."



New Officers of SBC

NEW OFFICERS of the Southern Baptist Convention, elected at Denver session, are, from left: Carl Bates, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C., president; Fred B. Rhodes, Washington, D.C., layman, first vice-president; and Russell H. Dilday, Jr., pastor of Second Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta, second vice-president.



Jerusalem

THE WESTERN SLOPE of the Mount of Olives. It was in the Garden of Gethsemane, a plot of ground on this rise, that Christ suffered his agony and was

taken prisoner. Innumerable tombstones are found on this slope, among them the tomb of Absalom (left foreground), St. Jacob's Grotto (center), and

### Rev. J. V. Wilson Dies

By Mrs. J. V. Wilson

Rev. J. V. Wilson, Baptist minister for over 35 years and owner of J. V. Wilson Leather Co. of Bellefontaine, died May 27, at the Oxford Lafayette County Hospital.

At the time of his death he was serving as pastor of Bethany and New Haven Churches in Choctaw County, having served as pastor of many of the local churches of Choctaw, Calhoun, Oktibbeha, and Webster Counties.

He was a member of Fellowship Baptist Church and Adelphian Lodge No. 174 of Bellefontaine.

He found his Master while just a lad. He gave his life to God. He married the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hood, Erma, August 27, 1927. They took God as their partner through life.

He was known and loved by many friends and relatives who valued his friendship and devotion. His counsel, especially to little children who were very near to him in his daily life and church life, will long be a memorial to his life. Even though he lived a busy life, he always had time to stop and help someone along life's way. His messages were loving and easy to understand.

In 1933 the J. V. Wilson Leather Company began to live. It is one of the outstanding enterprises of Webster County, having gained national renown in the manufacture of work harness collars, and saddles for horses. At one time he tanned his own hides for making leather goods.

He was famous for making "Cisco Kid" and his buddy saddles were used around the world. He had been the movie star, Ray "Crash" Corrigan's guest in Hollywood, and sold him saddles. He always said that God loved people who knew Him and were happy. His office out in the leather plant is vacant; his chair is empty where he sat for many a happy hour after he became a diabetic and leukemia patient. Many souls were saved through his preaching, and even in his office. Homes were saved by his loving counseling. He had a way of getting close to people. His greatest prize was to be called to churches that needed new buildings. He gave of his means and hands to build new churches, for he had a mind to build. Many new pianos were put in churches that he pastored.

As he grew spiritually, God blessed him materially. He got the greatest blessing out of helping orphans get an education. He was a Santa to many little orphan children and he helped one boy become a doctor.

In 1928, on Dec. 25, God gave him a son who is now owner of the Leather plant. Joe grew up "among the leather." He spent much time with his dad on the church field and in the leather plant.

J. V. Wilson was a lover of animals. He spent many happy hours riding his horse "Midnight," along the trails in his cattle pasture with his grandchildren, Scotti and Randy, riding Judy, their Mexican donkey. While going up and down the trails he told them Bible stories as they grew up. After his health became so bad he would carry his horse and Butch, his dog, to the pasture with his cot and Bible. Here, out in the fields of nature, he would look at his cattle and fish pond and be very near his Lord!

He was a personal friend of Dr. L. G. Hopkins of Oxford, who gave him special care for several years. Just before he went away he said to his

## South Carolina Church Will Accept Non-Immersed Members

GREENWOOD, S. C. (BP)—First Baptist Church of Greenwood, S. C., has voted to accept members transferring from other churches without the usual Baptist requirement of baptism by immersion.

The moderator of the Abbeville Baptist Association here promptly called a meeting of the association's Executive Committee to hear a report on what the church had done.

Wade T. Burton of Greenwood, the association's moderator, said that he plans to appoint a committee of six to study the church's baptism practices and bring a report within two months "so that if the church's relationship with the association will be affected, we can settle it or at least be aware of it before the fall meeting" of the association.

In taking the action to admit members by transfer of letter without previous immersion, the 1,800-member

church adopted a statement pointing out that the Baptist position on baptism by immersion will be carefully explained and recommended to all such candidates for membership.

The church voted, however, to receive candidates "by the transfer of their membership provided they have been baptized in some form and have publicly professed their faith."

"We would immerse those who, after study of the meaning of baptism, request it," said the church-adopted statement.

The church will continue to baptize by immersion all who seek to join the congregation on profession of their faith.

James A. Bowers, pastor of the church, said the congregation adopted the statement after long and careful study.

He said he initiated the idea following a number of years of "prayerful consideration of its possible implications."

## Hederman Memorial Scholarship Awarded To Robert Grantham

The T. M. Hederman, III, Memorial Scholarship at Mississippi College for the 1970-71 school year has been awarded to Robert Steven Grantham of Jackson, it has been announced.

Grantham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Grantham of North Lamar Street in Jackson, will enter the college in September according to Dr. Charles W. Scott, dean of students and chairman of the Financial Aids Committee.

A recent graduate of Murrah High School, young Grantham intends on majoring in physics at Mississippi College.

The T. M. Hederman, III, Memorial Scholarship was established in 1964 by Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hederman, Jr., and Mrs. Richard Hussey and friends. The scholarship amounts to \$5,000 over a four year period provided the student maintains a superior academic record.

## Registration Begins For Nationwide Bible Conference

NASHVILLE — Registration materials for the Nationwide Bible Conference, March 15-18, 1971, are available now from the Sunday School department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Registration is necessary for participation in morning and afternoon sessions and reserved seats in the Dallas Memorial Auditorium for evening sessions. The \$10 fee entitles the registrant to a kit including conference outlines, notes, bibliographies for all conferences attended, wide-margin Bible portions for note taking, a special conference notebook binder and a new book written especially for the conference, "The Christian Shape of Hope" by Ralph Murray, editor of adult materials in the Sunday School department.

In addition to Southern Baptist Bible scholars, morning sessions will feature a choice of 46 expositions on portions of the Bible and afternoon sessions will offer a choice of 42 Bible-oriented explorations of contemporary concerns.

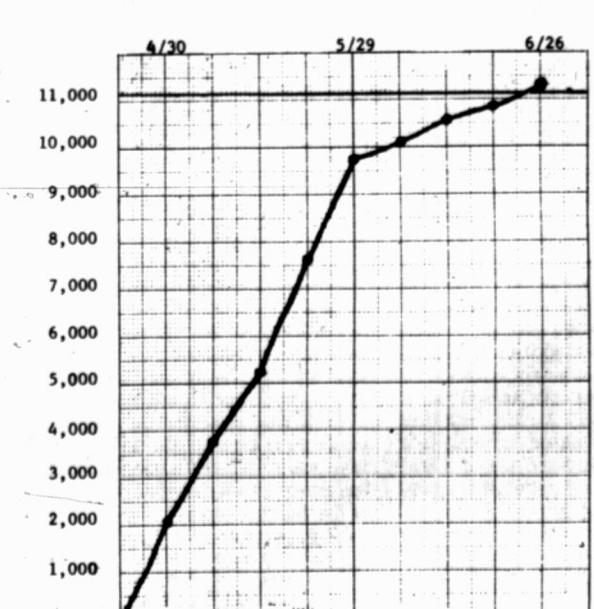
Evening program personalities will be Billy Graham, internationally known evangelist; Calvert Rutenber, professor at the American Baptist Seminary, Covina, Calif.; W. A. Criswell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas; and Dale Moody, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Registration and hotel reservation forms may be secured by writing to NATIONWIDE BIBLE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION, Sunday School Department, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee 37203.

## OVER THE TOP

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

# From Mountain Top To Valley of Need

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can be carried. We even saw in many places horse - drawn, two - wheeled carts, which are used for transportation and for hauling. Of course, there are buses and trucks everywhere on these main roads. Private cars are a luxury here, and are so expensive that few ordinary people have them. The cost of a car is about twice (or more) what it is in the States, and you can't buy many cars when the per capita income for average people is slightly more than \$100 per year. Many of the cars one sees are old, but are well cared for.

On this Saturday trip, we were riding with Dr. Grover Tyner, President of the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary in Baguio. He stopped at Clark Field, the large U. S. Air Force Base, about 60 miles north of Manila, where we had breakfast. This is a bit of America in a foreign land. After breakfast we visited a chapel and the hospital. Since there are about 60,000 persons here, it was impossible in the brief period we were there to try to find a man from Mississippi that I had been asked to try to contact. I can say for Mississippians who have loved ones there, that Clark Field is an attractive modern base, and the assignment there must be much like one at a base in the United States.

One is here only a brief time until one strong impression hits him... it is the number of people. The islands are only three times as large as Mississippi in land area, but have 15 or 16 times as many people... 38 million. And one finds that children are everywhere. As you drive along the highways you see children... in the streets, in the yards, everywhere. And stop for a minute anywhere, and suddenly there are children. They are polite, neat, clean, and well mannered. Ordinarily they do not beg as do children in some lands, but they are curious and they are friendly. Since English is taught in the schools, they are able to talk to the Americans.

After crossing the level areas which extend for more than 100 miles north of Manila, we "entered" a mountain valley, of a mountain range that we long had been seeing as we traveled, and followed a winding, climbing road to Baguio, the city on a mountain top. It is a mile high, and perhaps was built, at least in part, because of its delightful cool climate. The road is winding and precipitous, crossing and recrossing a mountain stream. Along the way are waterfalls, and other beauty spots. At one place there was evidence of a great landslide which had closed the road some time ago. There are copper mines, and other mines along the way. After twisting, turning and climbing, we at last were at the top, and seeing Baguio, a lovely city, built in an area where there is little level land. But the streets, and the homes, and the businesses cover the hills and valleys. A very nice business district lies at the heart of a valley on the mountain top, and homes are in every direction. This city has 50,000 to 60,000 people, and is a very important center.

The Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary is here, and is in a lovely grove of pine trees. Beautiful frame buildings are scattered over the central campus, and missionary homes are on the hills around them. Here Southern Baptists are training splendid young leaders for the growing work in the land. A little while spent on the campus talking to professors concerning their work, makes one realize how important a ministry this institution is rendering. Even as I am copying this article on Tuesday morning in one of the offices, a conference of Chinese Baptists is breaking up. The Seminary is a conference center (like Ridgecrest) as well as a teaching institution. I am working with a young Filipino pastor who is a graduate here, and have met several others, and can testify that the school is doing a splendid job.

I spent Saturday night in the home of missionaries Dr. and Mrs. Dick Henderson. They are from North Carolina. Also assigned to this home for this week is a Mississippi student summer missionary, Billy Garrett, of Harrisville and Jackson. He is a student at Mississippi College. For the evening meal other missionary faculty members and their wives, and all of the men assigned to preach in this area, along with some of the national pastors and their wives, had a de-

lightful meal and fellowship time together. Missionaries present besides the Hendersons, who are from North Carolina, were the Tod Hamiltons of Louisiana (he is grandson of Dr. W. H. Hamilton, late president of New Orleans Seminary); the Grover Tyners of Georgia; Dr. McCoy of Tennessee (Mrs. McCoy was ill); the Earl Poseys of Alabama and Mississippi (I believe Mrs. Posey is from Lufkin). There also were some national pastors and their wives, and the five preachers and one song leader from the States who had come for revivals. It was an hour of spiritual blessing.

After a night of rest, we were up at 5 a. m. (that is 4 o'clock in the afternoon of the previous day in Jackson) and on our way down the mountain to the valley. Dr. Henderson was driving a station wagon about ten years old as he carried me and Billy Barrett and missionary Hamilton's son Scott, down to areas where we were to preach. We stopped in Rosario at the foot of the mountain. Dr. Hamilton picked up Rev. Caesar Pietro, pastor of the church where I was to preach that morning, and leader in the work in Ago (Ago) where I was to preach in a tent, since there is no church there. He took us out to a small barrio (village) called Binnekeg. The road was a primitive one, winding among grass-covered bamboo huts and rice paddies. It must be impassable in rainy weather. The little church sits back beside one of the rice paddies, perhaps a hundred yards from the road. In the little village are many of the grass-roofed huts. Most of them are built on bamboo stilts, to allow for more coolness, and for the animals to live underneath in the poorest ones. Better homes have the lower floor enclosed with a lean-to type section for animals nearby. There are some trees, banana, coconut, and others which I did not recognize.

The little church building was of concrete blocks, with window openings but no glass and no screens. Sliding shutters are used to close them. The roof was tin, and part of it was loose. Wooden benches, a pulpit, a table, and a small cabinet, made up the furniture. There were about 30 present for Sunday school with the children going out into the yard under a tree for their class, and everybody else staying in one class inside with the pastor teaching. After an intermission the service was opened with some songs, a prayer, an offering, and then I preached, with the pastor interpreting. There were three or four men, one elderly woman, several young people and some children in the service. A group of four girls sang a special day of the year.

Our tent revival is being held in the western section of Ago in one of the poorer sections of the city. There are some sections which have nice homes, but few homes would be counted really nice by American standards. The tent is standing about halfway between downtown and the sea. We are staying in a home two doors away from the tent. The family has turned the upstairs of their home over to us. There is a large room and three or four very small ones. The only furniture in the room assigned to us is a little chest of drawers. There are no beds visible anywhere upstairs, so I presume that they sleep on mats. In our room the missionary has placed two cots, and at night these are covered with mosquito nets, since there are no screens.

After the service we went to the home of one of the men in the service for lunch. He was the captain of the barrio (like mayor) and perhaps the most important man in the village.

The little house was enclosed on the lower floor. We were escorted to the second level where some chairs, a table, and a chest of drawers made up the furniture. We were served Coca Cola and crackers while we waited for lunch to be ready. The "Captain" was most gracious and cordial, and was giving the very best that he had to the guest in his home. When lunch was called we went back down the stairs, and ate a simple meal. There was rice (that is the staple of every meal), cooked vegetables (cabbage and potatoes), some fish a little bit of cooked fat pork (probably a luxury provided for the guest) and some bananas. They had boiled some water for the American, since an outsider does not dare drink the water here. Only the captain was at the table with the guests, since the women and children and other members of the family do not eat with guests, but wait. I am not sure how cooking was done in this home. Perhaps it was on an open fire, or it may have been on a little one-burner gasoline stove. That is what I have seen in the home I am staying in in Ago.

After lunch in this home we drove to the barrio where student missionary Billy Garrett is working. This was over a winding, primitive road, and the village itself was just a cluster of bamboo huts along a winding dirt road. A tiny little Baptist church building sits in the midst of it. If you think that these summer missionaries are on a lark, you should see this barrio where Billy Garrett and Dick Hamilton are working.

After delivering a gasoline lantern

Downstairs I saw one bed with no mattress or springs, but made with bamboo slats. I was told that the downstairs was a table, with a bench and a few small chairs. A tiny kitchen with a single gasoline burner stood at one side, and a little shed was at the back. One room was enclosed, and evidently was for storage. There was no running water, and no bath room facilities. A nearby well was an open well with pigs, chickens, goats, and other animals playing around it. Half a block away, near the tent, was a tiny store, which had a little "rest room" with a primitive type commode. Even that did not appear to have running water, so evidently was flushed with a bucket of water. We were invited to use this facility. Despite their having so little, and so few conveniences, the people were warm and gracious and gave their very best to make the American visitor welcome.

Food here, too, was rice, boiled vegetables, a little bit of meat which I did not recognize (I was told that I might eat dog meat here since that was a staple meat). I did not recognize what this was, since it was strange in appearance. The nationals themselves apparently eat little meat. There was bread, and a spread that had been bought in a can, perhaps especially for the visitors. Also some instant coffee was present. The can had been unopened when I first used it, so I am sure it was bought especially for me. At another meal there was fish, a large fried shrimp, fried in the shell, head and all. At breakfast one morning there was an egg with the rice, bread and coffee.

On Sunday evening as we looked forward to the first service, we drove through the town with loud speaker equipment, announcing the meeting. Also, printed announcements had been prepared with my picture and the times of the meetings, and these were handed out to the people who are all along the roads everywhere.

Seven thirty came and we anxiously moved toward the tent, wondering how many would come. The work here had been started with Bible study in a home which had drawn

many young people and adults, and the tent meeting was the follow-up of that. By 7:45 the tent was filled, especially with children, but adults were coming, too. As singing began, a brief rain began to fall, but we simply asked the Lord to withhold it, and it quickly stopped. By the time I stood up to preach, there were more than 150 people in the tent. The singing was spirited, and the songs were familiar hymns, although translated into the language of the people. They all joined in. There were many children, a large number of young people, and many adults, and they all sang.

The Lord gave freedom in preaching and there was eager interest. Bro. Pietro, the pastor, is a splendid interpreter. When time came for the invitation, I had been told that they would be slow in coming, but not to be disturbed. I simply prayed as we sang. Then one came, and another, and another until five had come. Each is counselled—personally after the service, and that night there were five professions, and other manifestations of interest, since others came after the service closed. As we counseled, most of the congregation reigned. It was a victory hour, and we thanked God for opening the way for the beginning of the meeting.

This is written on Tuesday morning at the seminary, since we came back up here for rest and baths last night. Last night we did not have as many... perhaps 125, for there were fewer children, and the drunks who had wandered in the night before were not there, but last night there were 8 professions of adults (one young person — perhaps older intermediate). Moreover, I have never seen a finer group of young people, although they are not yet coming on profession, but as the service counseling was going on, the missionary brought in the two young men who had been in the barrio, and they began to talk to the young people. There was an instant response as these young people loved these young men. We may be able to reach many of them during the week.

#### SOME FIRST IMPRESSIONS

**SPIRITUAL NEED.** Here is a great land which calls itself the most "Christian" nation, because almost everybody is a Roman Catholic, but we find a spiritual hunger that is simply overwhelming. These people are seeking a real personal relationship with God and they do not have it. Southern Baptists are trying to help them find the answers to their soul needs.

**POVERTY.** Most of the people are poor — very, very poor by American standards. The average income is about \$2.00 per week per capita, and inflation is making it most difficult for them. Yet they do not complain, and they welcome the visitor and give him their best.

**MISSIONARIES.** These missionaries are simply magnificent. Their task is difficult, for they are so few and the work is so hard. The Foreign Mission Board seeks to provide comfortable homes for them, but the incomes are not large, and they do not live in luxury. But their faith, their dedication, their tirelessness, and their love for souls is a joy to see. They love this land and are sowing seed and planting churches to reap a harvest here. They deserve the prayers of every Southern Baptist, every day.

**NATIONAL PASTORS.** These men are young, usually, but many have been to the Seminary and our missionaries are training them well. They are giving able leadership in these young churches.

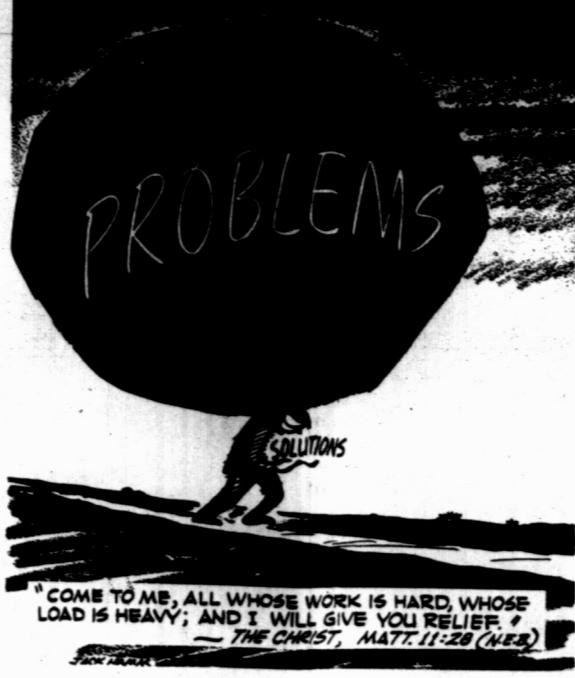
**FINALLY.** This has to be one of the greatest experiences of my life. My whole concept of and love for missions is being enlarged. Working right down where the people are and living as they live, does something that will change my whole appreciation of the mission program. I'll have more to say about it later.

## THE EDITORIAL PAGE

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Thursday, July 16, 1970

### HANDFUL NO MATCH FOR THE BACKLOAD



A Woman's World Reaches Far

### Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

#### He Takes Care Of The Little Sparrows

I am about to become one of those obnoxious world — travelers. Five years ago when it was announced that the BWA would meet in Tokyo in 1970, we rather glibly said, "We'll just go and see the Askews." (Curtis and Mary Lee, missionaries to Tokyo. She's my sister.)

Before long the glibness went away, and we said, "Why not?" We couldn't think of any good reason why not, so we began planning toward July 1970. Then, after all the years of planning, in April we decided not to go — somehow all our planning just wouldn't come out even everywhere.

Suddenly, after we decided not to go, everything began to fall into place. Better plans than we had been making presented themselves, and immediately we recognized that the imitable hand of God had been moving over our family.

Again we planned toward July. It's here. On Thursday the ninth, in Los Angeles, we will climb aboard (I may have to be pushed) a huge Boeing 747 bound for Tokyo. (I hear they have spiral staircase. To slide down a spiral staircase has always been one of my secret desires. Anybody dare me?)

I don't like to fly — probably because pilots are not too receptive to backseat navigating. But I'm going

and I'm going to have a marvelous time. Even if it kills me?

Everything holding up (oh, my), we will arrive in Tokyo on Friday. I don't quite understand all the losing and gaining of days. At my age, losing one is rather disconcerting, to be sure, but I believe we get it back when we come home, or something.

Frank and James Seil, the two youngest, are going with us. Bobby, the oldest, did not want to go, so the Lord opened a door for him. He will serve, from now until August 30, as a counselor - in - training at Sandy Hill Camp for Boys at a town called North East, Maryland.

James and I figured we would be in for many catches of breath as the ocean widens between the four of us and the one of Bobby. But then we realized we had miscalculated. There will be five going and two staying.

The God Who goes with us stays with Bobby. I'm sure we'll still sigh, but God will hear that faint sound before He hears the jet's screaming. The 747 seems so big, but compared to God, it's nothing.

After all, Whose divinely ordained laws of dynamics and nature make possible a 747's flight? The same One's Who takes care of us little sparrows. Even when we're not all in the nest.

## NEWEST BOOKS

THE LEARNING CHOIR by Ellen Jane Lorenz (Abingdon, 96 pp., \$2.85).

Basic helps for choir improvement: twenty lessons; nineteen specially arranged anthems; three choral responses. The book is intended for the use of volunteer or amateur choirs — youth, children, or adult.

A BURDEN AND AN ACHE by Clarence McConkey (Abingdon, paperback, 94 pp., \$1.65).

"Concrete sidewalks...soot - grey tenements...soot...broken bottles... This is downtown Omaha, Inner City, Any City, USA. Look again. There are people too...hoping, dreaming, facing problems...finding a few solutions." The author has served two Methodist churches in Omaha, Nebraska; ministry to transients has been a part of his work. The reader cannot finish this book without "a burden and an ache" for the people he finds described.

RIGHT SIDE UP by Betty Carlson (Good News Publishers, One Evening Condensed Book, paperback, 50 cents, 64 pp.).

Inspirational essays to show that a happiness lies in your point of view.

## ON THE MORAL SCENE

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SEC

Captain Terrence P. Goggin and Captain Clifford Hendrix are professors at West Point. Dr. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, assistant to the President for Urban Affairs, wanted to find out the conditions under which food stamps and commodities are being distributed in the USA. While the law says that food stamps are to go to all the eligible poor, statistics from official files show that only 16 percent of the poor living in food stamp counties are actually getting any food. Six months after being assigned to this study, Captain Goggin was trying to tell about it: "I was stunned by the experience of driving in a White House limousine to an airport," he told the Senate Committee on Nutrition, "going on a plane that was air-conditioned, in tremendous luxury, landing in Mississippi, Missouri or California, and going off in a car to a shack where children, in my opinion, were literally dying...their minds were dying. It is something that I will never forget. It is just incredible to me. You come back to Washington and you try to explain this to somebody else and you say—'You must do something about it!' They say, 'We don't know where we are going to get the money.' I say, 'Yes, but people are dying out there. Children are being condemned to totally wasted lives.' . . . Quite an experience for a West Point professor!

"I must say I was emotionally stunned in going from household to household," he testified, "seeing children staring at walls, with potentially tremendous energy, but because they weren't getting food they were like zombies. I have three children of my own," he added. "You see it on television but it doesn't have anywhere near the emotional impact of seeing it in person." (TRB from Washington, The New Republic, 6-20-70).

## THE BAPTIST FORUM

News Concerning  
Missionaries  
In Fordan

Dear Friends:

Since reading in the papers about the trouble in Amman, Jordan, I had wondered about the Paul Smith family and if they were alright.

Paul's mother is a member of First Baptist Church, West Monroe, La. She has received a letter from Virginia and the following information is from her letter:

Paul and Virginia and children spent from Tuesday until Thursday on the floor in the hall of their home, getting up only when it was necessary.

Major Perry, who was killed, was one of their best friends and the two families had dinner together just the week before he was killed. Virginia and the children and Major Perry's wife and children had been together just the evening before the fighting broke out.

Paul and family took a taxi into Beirut and are living in an apartment there. The situation in Beirut is somewhat better than in Amman, but they will move on to Cypress if anything breaks out in Beirut. They are anxious to go back into Amman and take up their work.

They kept repeating Psalm 27 during their time of duress and they have nothing but praise, admiration, and gratitude for their Arab friends who were so nice to them.

They are so grateful for your prayers and concern during this time. Please continue to place them at the top of your prayer list. Write them a note. They would love to hear from you — their friends. Their address is P. O. Box 2026, Beirut, Lebanon.

Air mail rate is 25¢ per half ounce. Thank you for reading this — I just knew you would be interested in hearing from them.

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# Baptists - Let's Talk Mississippi!

By J. Clark Hensley  
Executive Director  
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According to the Southern Baptist Convention "Quarterly Review", Mississippi Baptists gave 46.4% of their mission dollar outside of Mississippi.

This ranking was 4th in the Southern Baptist Convention, with Maryland, Florida, and Texas ahead. However, the Southern Baptist Convention average was 43.2%. This included \$1,132,600 given through the Cooperative Program and \$1,262,624 designated gifts to Southern Baptist Convention causes, for a total of \$2,395,515.

Mississippi state funds were distributed as follows: State Missions, \$741,582 from the Cooperative Program and \$118,557 designated; \$215,146 appropriated for ministers' retirement; \$167,237 designated and from Cooperative Program for the Children's Village; \$725,596 designated and from Cooperative Program for Christian Education; and \$39,304 for Baptist Hospital, for a total of \$2,007,422.

Obviously, \$1,177,368 was spent for

Associational Missions and other local mission causes as the total mission expenditures reported by Mississippi churches for 1969 was \$6,580,305, as compared to \$6,038,745 in 1968; for an increase of 9%. Almost the same figure was spent on new building construction, with \$6,258,202 reported as the amount spent by churches for this item.

Mississippi Baptist churches reported total receipts as \$39,259,198, of which \$37,610,985 was reported as tithes and offerings, which shows a gain of 7.7% over the previous year. The per capita giving was \$70.80. The Southern Baptist Convention average was \$70.46. The other receipts included such items as rental income, kindergarten fees, endowments, etc.

Total church membership was reported as 531,206, with 317,729 enrolled in 1,807 Sunday Schools; 165,784 enrolled in 1,321 Vacation Bible Schools; 144,438 enlisted in 1,427 Training Unions; 56,079 members in 1071 W.M.U.'s; 18,769 reported in 664 Brotherhoods; and 61,451 enrolled in music programs in 1,084 churches.

73.7% of Mississippi churches have

under 300 members. However, 45% of the church membership is in the city churches. 1497 of 1,881 churches report full-time preaching, with the average pastor's salary being \$4,732. 1511 churches reported 15,529 baptisms. 564 churches reported that they have church councils and 698 churches have libraries.

#### 436 International Students

Reports show 3,468 Mississippi Baptist students enrolled in Baptist schools and 20,807 in non-Baptist schools. 436 international students were reported. 31 B.S.U.'s had 20 full-time student directors. Mississippi has 11 student centers with a capital investment of \$628,000 and a total of \$315,317 spent on the student ministry. 96 baptisms were reported among the students. 366 of the 3,612 ministerial students enrolled in Southern Baptist colleges are in the four Mississippi Baptist schools and we ordained 102 ministers of the total of 2,080 in 1969.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital reported assets of \$9,955,593, with 8,464 Baptist patients and 4,560 of other denominations and 1,586 with no religious affiliation. (What church can say more than 10% of those in attendance are prospects?)

The Children's Village cared for 185 children and reported 42 employees and a plant value of \$1,801,042. If the employee-resident ratio seems high, a number of the states reported a ratio of 3 to 1.

While 23,832 Baptists transferred membership by letter, there was a decline over the year before. The 9-12 age is still the most fruitful for evangelistic decision, with estimates of 6,358 of the 15,529 baptisms from this group and 1,164 estimated in the 6-8 year bracket.

199 pastors were reported in the Annuity Program.

Baptist Record circulation of 108,000 represents the largest circulation per capita of any of the larger states.

Approximately 12% of the nursery age group in Mississippi population is enrolled in our Baptist Sunday Schools; 20% of the 4-5 year age group; 20% of the 6-8 year age group; 23% of 9-12 year olds; 23% of 13-16; 11% of 17-24; and 10% of the adult population of the state.

When we remember that about 25% of the total population of the state hold membership in Mississippi Baptist churches, it is easy to see the people - reaching job we have to do. Virginia joined Mississippi and Texas during 1969 with some agency or department charged with programs similar to that of the Christian Action Commission. Tennessee now has a job description and is looking for a staff member for such position.

Only Almighty God can change man's nature. This change is brought about by man's coming to Christ in repentance and faith, receiving Jesus Christ into his heart, forsaking his old life, and fully accepting a new life from a gracious, forgiving Saviour. All members of MY GENERATION and YOUR GENERATION and THEIR GENERATION who know not Christ in this personal manner MUST come face to face with Christ, and must make the choice himself to accept or reject the proffered redemption. This is the new and wonderful NEW LIFE IN CHRIST. This is the only way by which America can or will be saved.

What does the Bible record have to say about the generation gap?

1. "There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.

2. There is a generation that is pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness. (Know them?)

3. There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! And their eyelids are lifted up.

4. There is a generation whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from the earth, and the needy from among men." Proverbs 30:11-14)

At the beginning of this message a statement from the Bible was quoted: "One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh; but the earth standeth forever." (Ecc. 1:4)

In the above paragraphs are listed four generations found in the Bible. Examine them. To which do you belong? Look at number 1. Many—not all—in the THEIR GENERATION are listed here. Look at number 2... "pure in their own eyes".

Not all, but many of the YOUR GENERATION are listed here. Hippies, and associated cults. Look at number 3... "O how lofty are their eyes!". The MY GENERATION—not all, but many—stand in shame that we were so busy we neglected the YOUR GENERATION, and offered no help to the THEIR GENERATION. We were so busy reaching our star that we failed to see those at our feet. The YOUR GENERATION must share this failure in regard to the THEIR GENERATION also. The land is filled with "lofty-eyed-ones", "wise in their own eyes" who are hasty to counsel, advise, and direct, and yet who are "not washed from their own filthiness". THESE are the ones who—themselves being deluded,—are leading our youth of the THEIR GENERATION astray. It is a sad commentary on the internal condition of our great nation that many of our national leaders, members of the YOUR GENERATION, are in this group.

The remedy? The nation—ALL GENERATIONS—must return to God, beg forgiveness, and follow righteousness. We left God one by one; we must return one by one, made anew in Christ, clean in spirit, pure in body, wholly yielded to His Holy Will. Let us up and away—and close the gap!

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Preschoolers Descend The Pritchell Stairs

THESE 3-year-olds carefully descend the stairs at Pritchell Hall at Ridgecrest Assembly, N.C., as teachers guide them on a tour of unfamiliar surroundings. The children were among a total of 148 preschoolers through second graders who were registered in the children's program during the 1970 Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest. The youngest registered was the 8-week-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry A. Rankin of Sadler, Texas (former Mississippian) who were appointed missionaries to Indonesia during the conference. (Photo by W. Robert Hart)



Cauthen Autographs Copy of Book

AUTOGRAPHING a copy of the newly published *Advance: A History of Southern Baptist Foreign Missions* is Baker J. Cauthen, who wrote the book's foreword and epilogue. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, was on hand to oblige book buyers during the 1970 Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly. The 328-page book traces the development of Southern Baptist work overseas from 1845 through 1969. It was released by Broadman Press to coincide with the Foreign Mission Board's 125th anniversary. Co-authors are J. Winston Crawley, Jesse C. Fletcher, H. Cornell Goerner, Eugene L. Hill, J. D. Hughey and Frank K. Means, all of the board's administrative staff. The volume includes three appendixes listing important dates, officers of the board and administrative staff members plus a bibliography. A supplementary paperback volume listing all Southern Baptist foreign missionaries, 1845-1969, has been published by the board.



Elementary Teachers' Workshop Held at BMC

AT THE CLOSING SESSION of the North Mississippi Elementary Teachers Workshop, Dr. Julia Davis, Director of the Speech and Hearing Center, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (center), was welcomed and introduced to the 86 teachers enrolled by Miss Mary Ann Baird of Jackson (left), Supervisor of Reading, State Department of Education, Director of the North Mississippi Workshop, and by Mrs. J. R. Lewis of Batesville, Coordinator for the Workshop of 1970. Mrs. Lewis is Head of the Department of Education at Blue Mountain College where the Workshop was founded fourteen years ago, and where each session of the Workshop has been held.

## THREE BAPTIST SCHOOLS GET \$4 MILLION IN U. S. BUILDING LOANS

WASHINGTON (BP)—The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has announced fund reservations under the college housing and loan program supporting construction of nearly \$250 million in college housing and dining facilities.

Among the church-related institutions, there Southern Baptist colleges with \$4,005,000 in loan reservations are exceeded only by 10 Methodist schools that will get \$7,345,000. Five Roman Catholic colleges have been allotted \$3,051,000. Other Protestant schools have \$3,278,700 earmarked for them.

Under the direct loan program, HUD provides the entire loan to the institution, which repays the loan at 3 per cent interest for a period of up to 40 years.

The three Southern Baptist Colleges to receive direct loans are: Samford University, Birmingham, Ala., \$1,000,000 for an addition to the Student Union Building; Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., \$1,105,000 for dormitories for 164 students; and Campbell College, Buies Creek, N.C., \$1,900,000 for apartments for 16 faculty families, dormitory space for 375 men and an addition to the dining hall.

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## California Board

### Releases Crisis Study Report Text

FRESNO, Calif. (BP)—The full text of the "Crisis Study Report," an extensive study of current social problems prepared by the staff of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, has been released to the public.

Public distribution of the study had previously been forbidden by action of the convention's Executive Board, which passed on April 28 a motion to refer the study to its total program committee.

The committee, which was given the authority to release the report at its own discretion, voted here in June to make the text of the report, along with the forward and resolution adopted by the Executive Board, available on request for reproduction costs (probably \$3.50).

The committee also announced that it is doing further study before referring the report back to the staff with observations and comment, "with the understanding that the staff will resubmit the Crisis Study Report to the Executive Board."

The report, which stresses how California Southern Baptists can deal with national crisis issues such as racism, poverty, justice, violence, etc., was prepared by the staff at the request of action by the state convention in annual session.

Though the staff prepared report contained no specific recommendations for state convention programs to meet the issues, it outlined some possible suggestions as the basis for later recommendations to be drafted.

When the Executive Board considered it in April, at least one board member called the report "pure socialism." The motion to refer it to the committee and to forbid release of the report at that time passed with only two dissenting votes.

## Carey Continues To Operate in Black

The annual audit at William Carey College for the fiscal year ended on May 31, has been completed by the Jackson accounting firm of Rhymes and Noe, Incorporated. The total general fund income for the college for the year was \$1,511,748.64. The general fund surplus on May 31 was \$2,402.44.

"We have consistently operated in the black at Carey," commented President J. Ralph Noonester, "in spite of spiraling costs. This we have continued to do this year. Our income increased more than \$134,000 over the past fiscal year. Next year's operating budget calls for another \$100,000 increase, bringing the total operational income to more than \$1,600,000."

More than one-half million dollars is spent each twelve months at Carey on faculty salaries alone. This does not include the salaries of the administrative staff.

Endowment income this past year reached an all-time high of \$57,657.98. Gifts and grants to the college were \$201,215.10. Student fees provide more than 80% of the operational income of William Carey College.

"Carey College receives increased financial support each year from its constituency—Mississippi Baptists, Hattiesburg citizens, and from alumni and other friends of the college," stated Dr. Noonester. "This growing support largely accounts for the growth in stature and influence of the college."

## Natchez Youths

### Sing, Conduct VBS

#### In Illinois

Ronald Mills and Major McDaniel have just returned from a week's work of Vacation Bible Schools and pool singing in the Rockford, Illinois area. The Calvary Church, Rev. Tom Reiff, pastor, was host church for the second year of this endeavor.

Fifteen representatives from the youth of First Church, Natchez, Rev. Tom Dunlap, pastor, flew to Rockford where two areas in Rockford and one housing project in Freeport were canvassed for Bible school prospects. One area of Rockford was a trailer city, Morristown, where there were 31 children enrolled. The other area, Morning Side Heights, is converted barracks for a housing development where 60 children were enrolled. Both of these schools met outside under the trees. The third school had over 60 in attendance and met in the community center of a housing project in Freeport where there is not Southern Baptist witness. The interest is high for organizing a church but a willing pastor has not been found for leading the work.

This group sang at Calvary, Eastview, and Belvidere Baptist Churches in addition to singing at the Reservoir Mission and Colonial Village Mall.

## Eight State Youth Selected To Youth Music Workshop

RIDGECREST, N.C.—Eight Mississippi youth have been selected to participate in the Youth Music Workshop in Ridgecrest Baptist As-

Included are: Sharon Langworthy, First Baptist; Cynthia Harden, First Baptist; Alan Bruce Celoria, First Baptist; LaNell Lucius, Broadmoor Baptist; Brenda Holder, Spring Hill Baptist; Brenda Allday, Tommolen Baptist; Melita Ann Shoemaker; Valerie L. Turner, Unity Baptist.

## Baptist Home For Aged Is Hit By Tornado, No Injuries

OKLAHOMA CITY (BP)—A tornado struck the Golden Age Home complex in northwestern Oklahoma City, ripping off a portion of the roof of Lackey Manor Nursing Home owned and operated by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

No one was injured. Wind and water damage, however, was extensive. Estimates by inspectors ranged up to \$30,000.

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AT STATE BOULEVARD BANQUET—Front row seated, Mrs. W. A. Robinson, Winifred Cox, Mrs. Mary Walker, Norman Parker, Mrs. Norman Parker, Ruby Cox; second row, W. A. Robinson, pastor, Charles James, Mrs. Charles James, Arthur Bates, Mrs. Arthur Bates, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs.

### Church Training Banquet Held at State Boulevard, Meridian

Members of The Leadership Training Department of State Boulevard Church, Meridian, were honored at a banquet in the church fellowship hall recently Rev. W. A. Sabinson, pastor, welcomed the members and their guests, and the invocation was given by Malcolm Lewis, Sunday school superintendent.

Mrs. Mary Walker and Ruby Cox

Max Burris; back row, Mrs. Julius Hatcher, Julius Hatcher, Mrs. M. H. Grace, Larry K. Salter, Mrs. Larry K. Salter, Wilbert Eason, Mrs. Wilbert Eason, Terry Cross, Mrs. Terry Cross, Dr. A. C. Johnson, and Max Burris (all reading from left to right).

commended the members of the two classes for the work they are doing in preparing for service in the church. A. C. Johnson introduced the speaker, Larry K. Salter, Minister of Education at State Boulevard. Mr. Salter brought a message on the banquet theme "Synergy for the 70s" pointing out the truth that talents, efforts, and energy, combined and dedicated would accomplish objectives. Max Burris, music director, sang "So Send You" as the benediction.

The Church Training Department at State Boulevard was begun October 1, 1967 with two classes, the Potential Leadership Training Class and the Teacher Training Class. Faculty members for 1969-70 are Mrs. Mary Walker, Dr. A. C. Johnson, and Ruby Cox.

## Graham Sees Europe's Evangelical Interest As Affecting The U.S.

NEW YORK (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham expects a "strong" move toward the Protestant evangelical faith in Europe to have significant impact on U. S. religion.

America always follows Europe on theology, he said at a press conference held on his arrival here for a five-day crusade at Shea Stadium. The services will continue a series launched last summer in Madison Square Garden.

Mr. Graham called attention to European, particularly German, indications of a resurgence of evangelical Christianity, which he identified with this position and called it the "historic" or "orthodox" religion of the biblical message.

He claimed that evangelical faith is needed to fill the "emptiness" resulting from some recent theologies in the U. S., notably the "God-is-dead" movement and other "extreme" positions.

Earlier, he said that he thought 90 per cent of the American people did not identify with extreme positions on either the left or right. In response to questions, Mr. Graham expressed concern over the future health of U. S. democracy.

A "spiritual crisis," he said, is at the root of the nation's problems and what is needed for solution is a "spiritual and moral awakening" in which persons "get down on their knees" and pray for God's forgiveness. He asserted that the judgment of God can already be seen in recent developments.

Young people, he continued, feel an "emptiness," and he saw this as one reason for the escalating use of drugs. He said his New York crusade would be directed mainly at the young. In Mr. Graham's opinion, much of the institutional church does not relate to youth today and he saw this as a reason for declines in youthful participation.

In contrast, he cited the responsiveness of young people at a May crusade in Knoxville on the University of Tennessee campus and in a black church in Watts, a section of Los Angeles, where he preached on June 21.

Mr. Graham said he has been invited by the black clergy of Watts to hold a crusade there and probably would accept. He suggested that black churches, with their stress on emotional involvement, may be more relevant to youth than most white

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congregations.

The evangelist praised the Free Speech Movement, which arose at the University of California, Berkeley, in the mid-1960s for opening the way for him to speak on campuses.

"Any man should have the right to say anything at any university," he stated, noting that "Chicago 7" attorney William Kunstler had preceded him at the University of Tennessee.

Mr. Graham answered a wide range of questions from newsmen, many concerning political issues and his identification with President Nixon.

#### Prays For Peace

On the Southeast Asia war, Mr. Graham said he had no stand except to say he is praying for peace. He said there are many wars and that the basic problem regarding them is in the human heart.

He denied that the Chief Executive had read to him in advance the April 29 national address on Cambodia. A reporter said this information was provided by a "reliable source." The evangelist said the source was "not reliable."

Mr. Graham felt that his identification with the President would not hinder his relations with young people in New York. The President was invited to the Knoxville crusade and spoke briefly.

Asked why he had invited Mr. Nixon to speak at Knoxville, he said he had felt a need for the President to have a "greater understanding of young people and them to understand him."

He noted that Presidents Johnson and Eisenhower had been invited to crusades and Mr. Johnson had attended one but declined to speak.

The evangelist did not see the Nixon

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appearance in Knoxville as giving his crusade a political overture. He said he hoped that any "President of all the people" would always be free to attend any public gathering.

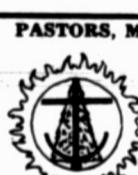
Mr. Graham supported the right of 18-year-olds to vote. Any person old enough to fight in war, he said, should be allowed to vote.

He said he was against abortion "in principle" but identified certain circumstances — such as incest or when the life of a mother is in danger — when termination of pregnancy would be acceptable. He agreed that abortion laws in some states had become "antiquated" but he refused to make a flat statement on the abortion issue.

He declined to speculate to newsmen on whether Vice President Spiro Agnew has "fostered" repression of free speech."

Mr. Graham said that clergymen who want to run for public office should. He said he never would enter politics since he was called to preach and found that a "higher office." He observed that the church has many able people whose political abilities have been developed in denominational politics. Some of these, he said, could "teach the professionals."

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## Health Education

### Workshop Set MC

The fourth annual Health Education Workshop will open at Mississippi College July 16 with participants expected from all over the state.

The three-week workshop is sponsored by the Division of Education and Psychology at Mississippi College in cooperation with various health agencies and the State Department of Education.

Participants will delve into an intensive study of the major problems and possible solutions in the area of health education. A faculty, consisting of physicians, surgeons, research analysts and specialists in the areas of public health, school health programs, tuberculosis, cancer, smoking, narcotics, alcohol, heart disease and physical education, will conduct the various sessions.

Students enrolling in the workshop will be credited with three semester hours of graduate or undergraduate credit on successful completion of the course of study. All participants must be officially admitted or readmitted to the college prior to the registration date.

Those desiring undergraduate credit may secure applications from the Director of Admissions, while graduate students may receive their forms from the Dean of the Graduate School. A \$10 application fee must accompany the application form for those seeking admission to Mississippi College for the first time.

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Stanley Henriches



Richard Shearer



Mark Ginn

### Surrender For Service At Forest Hill

Three young people in the Forest Hill church in Hinds County have recently committed themselves to full-time Christian service.

The church licensed Richard Keith "Ricky" Shearer to the Gospel Ministry. "Ricky" is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Shearer who reside on Raymond Road at Spring Ridge Road. He was born in Jackson and recently graduated from Forest Hill High School.

He has been accepted as a student at Mississippi College where he will begin his education for the ministry this fall.

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call to serve in the field of Music and Youth.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ginn of 3120 Ponderosa in Jackson, where he has resided for the past two years. Mark is presently a student at Forest Hill High School but plans to attend Mississippi College upon graduation.

Mark is active in his church with special interests in the youth activities such as choir, sports and general youth groups.

### Waynesboro, First Adds Staffer

Steve McCollum (pictured) has accepted the call of First Baptist Church in Waynesboro to serve as minister of education and music. He has moved to Waynesboro and has begun work on the staff there.

Mr. McCollum is a native of Corpus Christi, Texas and graduated from the University of Corpus Christi and from Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

He has served in Baptist Churches in Bartlesville, Oklahoma, Phoenix City, Alabama, and now comes from the Calvary Baptist Church of West Point. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Brandon of Clarksdale.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL-MUSIC-

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#### MEETING PLACES

August 3	First Baptist Church, Batesville	7:00 p.m.



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON

### Man In God's Design

By Clifton J. Allen

Genesis 1:26 to 2:25; Psalm 8; Matthew 10:29-31; Acts 17:26-28; 1 Corinthians 15:45-50

The preceding lesson and this one are closely related. They focus on the two accounts of creation which we find in the opening chapters of Genesis. In the lesson before us, we consider man in God's design. Man was created in God's image and was then given the trust to have dominion over other parts of God's creation. The psalmist tells us that man was made but little lower than God, which emphasizes man's dignity and responsibility. We understand more fully the place of man in God's design when we turn to the New Testament and learn that man is of supreme value in God's sight, that mankind is a unity in God's purpose, and that the new man in Christ is assured of the resurrection.

#### The Lesson Explained

In God's Image

Gen. 1:26-27

Man was the climax of God's creative work. The plural form, "Let us make man," seems to be a plural of majesty. It represents the totality of God's attributes. Man's distinctiveness is his likeness to the Creator. It is "thought by some that 'In God's image'" refers to God's giving man dominion over the earth. Certainly, likeness to God included responsibility for dominion. But it would seem to include much more. Being in God's image was the essence of personality. Man could thus have fellowship with God, the Supreme Person. He was like God, not in terms of physical likeness, for God is spirit, but in the likeness of personhood. He is a thinking, feeling, and willing being. He is free, and therefore morally responsible. Man is in the image of God in his very nature and therefore has the potential for communion with God, for the worship of God, and for fulfilling in a unique way the purpose of God.

#### In Charge For God

Gen. 1:28 to 2:4

In God's design, man is to be a steward. His entrustment is a commission of tremendous potential and responsibility. First, man and woman

share the privilege and responsibility of procreation. Sex and reproduction are holy endowments given by God to man and woman. Man and woman thus become partners with God in the creation of life. And this is the most sacred aspect of their stewardship before God. Next, God gave to man dominion over other living things and "over all the earth" (v. 26). This stewardship is a comprehensive one, applicable to all aspects of the material resources God has provided for man's use, but a stewardship obligating man to use these resources in harmony with the purpose of God and for the glory of God.

The fact that God made abundant provision for food would suggest that man's stewardship includes the production and conservation and distribution of food. This is a stewardship challenging individuals and nations around the world.

#### The New Image In Christ

I Cor. 15:45-50

Here we have the ultimate in God's design for man. The likeness to God which was marred by sin is thus overcome as the believer is made anew into the likeness of Christ through the indwelling Spirit of God. Now Paul points out the contrast between what man is as a son of Adam and what man becomes through the last Adam, even Christ. The first man was from the earth, but the second man is from heaven. We live first on the physical level, but we shall, as Christians, live on the highest level. The ultimate of redemption is a final resurrection of the body, bearing again the full image of the Son of God. The resurrection body will be a continuance of personality and individuality.

## Planning

### New Auditorium?

NASHVILLE — The Auditorium Planning Seminar, September 21-25, 1970, in Nashville, Tennessee, will feature discussions and consultations regarding capacity, attendance, church membership, enrolment, and future needs as related to new church auditorium.

Sponsored by the church architecture department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, it will offer church leaders professional help and guidance.

Other topics to be discussed are: the atmosphere of worship; how architecture helps to support the worship space; step by step planning in the details of the auditorium — music areas, choir, windows and glass, lighting, acoustics and sound systems, finishes, carpeting, television and radio projection booths, baptistries, climate control, interior decoration, foyers, balconies, and furnishings.

Persons registering are asked to bring information about their own churches. Drafting room services and consultation will be open to individual church studies.

Registration will be limited. A \$20.00 fee should be included with each application. Write the Church Program Training Center, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee 37203, for details concerning arrangements and registration. Write the church architecture department for additional program details.

In 1969 a sanctuary space was erected. In 1969 a sanctuary was completed with a seating capacity of 750 people. There have been 242 baptisms and 480 additions by letter. The budget was increased from \$18,000 in 1963 to a present \$42,000. From a resident membership of 143 in 1964, the church has grown to 521 in 1970.

While in Meadowview Church, Mr. Dexter has served as associational Sunday school superintendent for Okibeha County. He has also been active in county-wide vacation Bible School work.

Married to the former Florene Bell, they have four daughters, Mrs. Charles Brown of Cullman, Ala., Mrs. Bobby Woodard of Anniston, Ala., Mrs. Roger Henson of Starkville, and Mrs. Larry Pickens of Memphis.

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## LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

### Trustee Of A Moral Code

Deut. 5:6-33

By Bill Duncan

God called a nation to be His people with Moses as their leader. To this redeemed people a covenant was established, based upon the Ten Commandments. These commandments were not given to all humanity but the principles apply to all humans to show what God is like. These are witnesses to God and are as relevant as God because they express the character and demands of Him. The commandments are self-disclosure of God's will.

To some in our day the commandments may be too negative for them. These commandments define only the areas that are not permitted, leaving all other realms of action free. Many who say that these are too negative maintain there is no place for prohibitions in society. Can you visualize a community in which theft, murder, adultery, dishonesty and covetousness were allowed to reign with never a word to discourage their practice. These commandments give us principles that are applicable to every age.

Jesus took the principles of the Commandments and "illustrated how the spirit of the commandments must be lifted and applied to new situations of a given generation." Jesus was not content for one not to murder. He saw that it also covered ones attitude of hate and disrespect for the personality of another.

Therefore the moral code of God given to Moses applies in principle to our lives as well as any age. God is to be recognized in priority and man is to be trusted with the respect that God treats us. We will never outgrow the commandments because we will never outgrow God. We may be indifferent to God, but down deep we know that we need Him. We may be disrespectful toward our fellow human beings, but we cannot live in peace without respect.

This passage is part of Moses reminder to Israel during his latter years. Some have called this passage the second giving of the law. It is the repetition with some changes given in Ex. 20:2-17.

The Commandments toward God

One God. . . The First Commandment calls for the belief in one God. The reason God claims the supreme loyalty out of Israel was grounded in the redemptive nature of God. The New Testament is quite clear in this point of saying no man can serve two masters. Today many things threaten our loyalty to Him. Many want to give their first loyalty to man and serve Him or themselves and call for His place of priority. We must learn that there are to be no loyalties above Him.

No Idols. . . In the time of Moses, idols had been obviously identified with God. There was to be no representation of the Lord in an image or idol even as an aid in the worship of Him. Why? God is a spirit. God's disclosure of himself is not in concrete form but in the living presence of the Lord. In this way there is absolute freedom and sovereignty of the Lord. We cannot in our modern time limit God by our desires for under-

standing. We can never say God is this or that.

No Profanity. . . When one takes the Lord's name in vain, he empties the name of God of its worth. The name of God cannot be taken into the pits of disrepute and retain the sense of wonder and charm that it ought to exercise over our lives. The name of God had to be protected from usage that would detract from the praise and respect due Him. One attitude towards the name was synonymous with one's attitude toward the revelation of God. Language is symptomatic of religious commitment.

One Holy Way. . . The Lord set one day to be different when people would worship without hindrance and restore themselves for labor. But one's attitude toward the sabbath should be grounded in positive holiness. One's actions on this day represents one's attitude on the other days. One day that is holy symbolizes the sanctity of all life.

The Commandments toward other Persons

Honor Parents. . . The home was brought under the covenant by relating all that is done there to what God requires. Man always finds encouragement in the assurance that the quality of his response in the home will be related to the permanence of his own life and efforts. The home should be united in its relationship. "Children who honor their parents will never cease to care, even when every action of their parents is an offense to both man and God."

Respect Life. . . The prohibition against murder is grounded in the assumption that life is sacred. We do not have the right to take the place of God and stop life. To violate this prohibition is to violate man's creation in the image of God. Jesus' higher calling for righteousness demanded respect for human dignity. We need to treat life as a gift of God. We can kill man in more ways than taking his physical life.

To not commit adultery. . . Marriage is a sacred relationship and will be helpful for the couple to be happy and pleasing to God. This commandment was given to preserve the family. There was to be no extra marital sexual relations. When there is fidelity in the marriage and respect for the human personality in love, there is ground for success in marriage.

### Carey Class Visits Baptist Building

A CLASS in religious education from Carey College, led by Dr. Joel D. Ray, head of the department, visited Baptist interests in Jackson recently. The class is participating in the "in service" training sponsored by the Cooperative Missions Department, Dr. Foy Rogers, director, and Therman V. Bryant, coordinator of the program. The class is seen in chapel of the new Baptist Building, with those on front row, from left: Dr. Rogers, Dr. Ray and Mr. Bryant.

Sex is only right in God's sight between a husband and his wife in love.

Be Honest. . . There should be in the community the right to possession of property. In the covenant relationship people were to trust one another. However God saw that all would not be trustworthy so he commanded the people to be honest toward property rights. Stealing from an individual is wrong and stealing from institutions such as the government is wrong. There is no excuse for one being a thief.

Speak the truth. . . Man has the right to expect the truth from one another in human relations. It seems that the primary concern of this commandment is with the court of law. Therefore it calls for the upholding of the court by telling the truth. False gossip may violate the spirit of the commandment. The only way a society can truly know justice is for the truth to be told. "One's word is to be true and dependable, worthy of trust and confidence by all men."

Do not envy. . . Man should not take a self-exalted concept and feel justified in formulating some scheme whereby he can acquire that which belongs to another. This commandment deals with motivation. So often if you think long about a thing or act, it can become a fact. Envy is a serious thrust to the essential freedom of humans. Do not even want

what someone else has to the extent that you wish they did not have their right of property or possession or love. Greed and covetousness are self-destructive.

From Foundation for Reconstruction by Elton Trueblood comes this verse:

Above all else love God alone.  
Bow down to neither wood nor stone.

God's Name refuse to take in vain.  
The sabbath rest with care maintain.

Respect your parents all your days.  
Hold sacred human life always.

Be loyal to your chosen mate,  
Steal nothing, neither small or great.

Report, with truth, your neighbors  
deed:  
And rid your mind of selfish greed.

## REVIVAL RESULTS

Arlington Church (Lincoln): June 28-July 3; Rev. Leon Champion, evangelist; Harold Smith, singer; Miss Patricia Brown, pianist; Rev. J. David Carter, pastor; prior to revival 2 professions of faith; during revival 5 professions of faith; 12 other important decisions.

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## Devotional

**"Can A Man Be Profitable Unto God?"**

Job 22:1-2

By Ralph H. Young, Pastor, Escatawpa

While we are not to judge others, I think we are on safe ground to say that while Job's "friends" were not negligent to be around when trouble came to their neighbor, so far as their knowledge of the things of God were concerned they had missed the boat somewhere. We cannot but ask, with men like Bildad, Zophar and Eliphaz around to "comfort" as "friends" who needs enemies?

Of the three men who spoke to Job during his grievous loss, it was the statement and question of Eliphaz that struck a familiar note in my ear. This neighbor knew Job well enough to know that Job had spent his life up to now trying to be pleasing to his God, Jehovah. And now, Eliphaz was implying that he had failed and asked, "Can a man be profitable to God?" He seemed to be saying in essence that either God is so great no man can do anything to help Him, or man is too occupied seeking his own existence to assist God in any way. Then he reveals his own thinking and his own inner self when he says, "if a man is wise, he will be getting things for himself." Eliphaz was saying, "Look out for number one and forget about the rest." "Get for self while the getting is good. Selfish as Divies, determined as the Rich Young Ruler to have it all for self, they go through life missing the whole idea of living and ended up losing it all.

All about us we see the preachers of Eliphaz alive and active. Men who beg for Sunday's overtime pay, others who seek the higher salary at the expense of leaving out God's Day and thus ending their presence at God's House for years. They are bent on getting for self while the getting is good. Selfish as Divies, determined as the Rich Young Ruler to have it all for self, they go through life missing the whole idea of living and ended up losing it all.

But we who name the Name of Jesus are not too far removed from Eliphaz's evaluation of life. Unless we are extremely careful in our prayer life, we will find ourselves each day praying, "Lord, make this day profitable unto me!" "Give me this or that for me and mine and the rest can go to pot." Beloved, as born again Believers we are obligated by the Blood of Jesus to make each day profitable unto God. He is to have His way in each life, His will carried out in every one of our plans, and unless we make this possible, no day can be profitable unto God. The great Master Designer of this Universe has a Kingdom to build, a world to evangelize and unless His children report each day and do His will, He will never get the job done!

Eliphaz, a man CAN be profitable unto God, if he will make himself available to God. First, he must give himself. God makes him alive through the New birth, (for God cannot use dead men). Second, man must arrange to place God first in his life, others next and self last, (and this takes a bit of doing for most of us), and third, man must live a Godly life of willing service. Obedience because of His love toward us.

Can a man be profitable unto God? — Only if the man loves God that much. Do you? 1970 is half gone now, how many days of this year have you made profitable unto God?

**Rienzi Calls Pastor; Goes Full-time After Unusual Revival**

Rev. Joe Holcomb was called as pastor of Center Hill Church in Pontotoc County, and as pastor of Rienzi Church, Rienzi.

After the Rienzi Church experienced

a revival in which there were 22 professions of faith, 13 additions by letter, and many rededications among the church members, that church voted on June 21 to go full-time.

Therefore, Mr. Holcomb resigned the pastorate of the Center Hill Church and is serving full-time at Rienzi. He and his family have moved into the pastorum at Rienzi. His address is Box 38, Rienzi, Miss. (phone 462-5325).

Bill Ireland of First Church, Greenville, was recently presented one of the highest awards in Scouting, the God and Country award. The presentation was made by the pastor, Dr. Perry Claxton, at a Sunday morning service. Bill is a member of Troop 51 which is sponsored by the First Baptist Church and the presentation was made as a result of more than a year's hard work on his part. Bill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ireland of Rt. 3, Greenville.

**High Award In Scouting**

Liberty Church: July 19-24; Dr. John Lee Taylor, pastor First Baptist Church, McComb, evangelist; Stanley Noland, minister of music Brownsfield Church, Baton Rouge, La., music director, Mrs. Jack Causey, organist; Mrs. Harrison, pianist; services 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Ray Fuller, pastor.

Poplar Springs (Copiah): July 19-24; Rev. James Berch, pastor West Side Baptist Church, Hazlehurst; Frank Walker, song leader; Sunday service 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Guy Little, pastor.

Sylvarena (Copiah): July 19-24; Rev. Salien Stevens, pastor, Bay Vista Baptist Church, Biloxi evangelist; Johnny Russell, Wesson, song leader; dinner on the ground followed by afternoon services on Sunday July 19; weekday services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Rev. Drew D. Blanton, pastor.

Big Creek Church, (Wayne): July 19-25; Rev. John Merck, pastor, Rock Creek Church, Lucedale, evangelist; W. N. Powell, music director; services 7:30 p.m.; Homecoming services will be observed Sunday, July 26; with lunch served; Rev. J. David Carter is pastor.

Arlington Church Sets Homecoming

Arlington Church in Lincoln Association will observe Homecoming Day with services on July 19 with dinner on the grounds and afternoon services. All are invited to attend. Rev. J. David Carter is pastor.

**Tinsley Church Plans Homecoming**

The Tinsley Baptist Church will hold its twenty-fifth anniversary Homecoming Sunday, July 19.

Rev. J. P. Vandercrook, a former pastor, now director of the Baptist Seaman's Service in New Orleans, will be guest speaker for the morning worship service at 10:30.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon with the afternoon program to begin at 2:00. Rev. J. P. Everett of Sataria Church will bring the message.

Mrs. Jack Rhodes of Pelahatchie and Mrs. Steve Cheatham of Anding will serve as pianists.

Others on the program will be special music by Rev. Truett Broadus, a former pastor; J. W. (Buddy) Twiner, George Fields, and a quartet composed of Toby Everett and his wife Janet, Mike Everett, and Jimmy Everett.

All former members and friends are invited.

Emmanuel Church, Ocean Springs: July 19-26; Rev. Frank Taylor, Hueytown, Alabama, evangelist; Sam Lewis, music director from Emmanuel Church, Biloxi, will be music director; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Bertus West, pastor.

Calvary Church, Pascagoula: July 19-26; Rev. Freddie Gage, evangelist; Eddie Smith, singer; Sunday services, 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor.

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Services on Sunday, July 19, at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., with lunch served at the church; services during the week at 10:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Rev. H. L. Deer, pastor.

First Church, Sumrall (Lamar): July 19-24; Rev. Raleigh James, pastor Oakcrest Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, La., evangelist; Miss Lyn Brannan, singer; Sunday services 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., weekday services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. George D. Berger, pastor.

Gillsburg Church: July 19-24; Dr. Thomas J. Delaughter, Professor of the Old Testament at New Orleans Seminary, evangelist. Rev. Jimmie T. Smith, pastor; Hubert Wilson, song director.

Wellman Church (Lincoln): July 19-26; Rev. Leon Westbury, evangelist; homecoming day will be Sunday, July 19; services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Huey Moak, pastor.

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**Dr. Stone To Head Department Of Art At BMC**

As instruction began for the current summer session of Blue Mountain College, Dr. Carolyn Stone, a 1959 graduate of the college, arrived on the campus to assume her duties as head of the Department of Art, succeeding Miss Mary Elizabeth Crenshaw, a former teacher of Dr. Stone, who served as Head of the BMC Art Department since 1951 and has retired from that capacity.

Dr. Stone is a native of Tremont. She was graduated from Blue Mountain College with a B. A. degree, majoring in English and minoring in Art. She received the M. A. degree in English from the University of Mississippi in 1962, and received the Ph.D. degree in Art from the University of Georgia in 1970. She has done additional study in Art during summer sessions at Chicago Art Institute and Columbia University.

Blue Mountain's newly appointed Art Professor announces that courses in Art at BMC for the 1970-71 session will include beginning and advanced drawing and painting, as well as a course in Art for teachers of children.

New Hope Church in Marion County welcomes as its minister of music and youth, Robert D. Spear, (pictured) his wife Annetta and children, Dale and Brian.

Mr. Spear began his work at New Hope June 1. He has been serving as minister of Music and Youth at Eastdale Baptist Church in Lake Charles, La. He has worked as music director in revivals, served as staff president at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly and has done work in musical drama. He attended McNeese State College in Lake Charles, La., and holds degrees in Speech and Physical Ed. James Mallard is pastor at New Hope.

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Shiloh Goes Full-Time

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To Teach Art At Clarke

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**Lannie Wilbourn****Is Ordained**

Lannie Wilbourn (pictured) was ordained to the ministry on May 31, 1970 by the Wayside Baptist Church, Scobey, Rev. William West, pastor, at the request of Big Springs Baptist Church, Brookhaven.

Lannie, the son of Landres Wilbourn of Scobey, graduated from Oakland High School and Northwest Junior College and is now a senior at Mississippi College. His wife is the former Kathy Jorden of Biloxi, a 1970 graduate of Mississippi College. She will teach in the Jackson School System this fall.

**N. O. Seminary****Alumni Elects**

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—Peter McLeod, pastor of First Baptist Church in Waco, Tex., has been elected president of the Alumni Association of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Other officers for the seminary's alumni are: vice - president, Joe Courson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Myers, Fla.; secretary, W. Norris Wilkerson, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, Smyrna, Ga.; and treasurer, Jim Glaze, statistical secretary of the Alabama Baptist Convention, Montgomery, Ala.

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Kenneth Leach Ends Pastorate At Rome

**Licensed At Crystal Springs, First**

JOHN MICHAEL DAVIS recently licensed to the Gospel Ministry by the First Baptist Church of Crystal Springs, is seen receiving certificate from his pastor, Rev. Estus Mason. Mike as he is known to all of his friends and family, has been active in all phases of his church's activities since coming to Crystal Springs a few years ago. He served as Youth Week Pastor in 1969. He presently serves on the Youth Council, he is a member of the Youth Choir and is serving on the revival committee as one of the representatives of the young people. Mike is planning to attend Clarke College this September where he will be a ministerial student. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Howard and the late John M. Davis of Monticello.

**Pine Grove, (Jasper) Calls Pastor**

Harold Schmidt, student of Carey College, has accepted a call as pastor of Pine Grove church in Jasper County.

His request was that he be ordained in the first church of which he became pastor. On July 5 the following pastors met at the church for ordination services:

Dr. W. E. Greene, Jasper County missionary; Louin; Rev. Howard Davis, Morton; Rev. Delmer Gibson, Morton; Rev. Jamie W. Tynes, Heidelberg; Rev. E. C. Moss, Vossburg; and Rev. Bill Partridge, Hattiesburg.

Relatives from out of town who were present included Mr. and Mrs. George Schmidt, Sr., New Orleans, parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Winstead, Pelahatchie, parents of Mrs. Schmidt.

All experience goes to show, no mud can soil, but the mud we throw.

You may give without loving, but you cannot live without giving.

**Names In The News**

Wade Akins has returned to the States (address: 158 Cain Ridge Circle, Vicksburg, Miss. 39180) after two years of service as a Southern Baptist missionary journeyman in Vietnam.

Miss Hilda Harper has returned to the States (address: c/o Paul Nunnery, Box A, Delta Station, Jackson, Miss. 38732) after two years of service as a Southern Baptist missionary journeyman in Peru.

Billy Hill has been licensed to the gospel ministry by the Longview Church in Okibebba County. He is married to the former Carman McHann and they have two children. Rev. Bill Stroud is pastor.

Miss Gail Montgomery has returned to the States (address: Rt. 3, Box 333, West Point, Miss. 39773) after two years of service as a Southern Baptist missionary journey